

Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley

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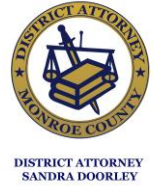


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Monroe County District Attorney's Office Weekly Newsletter



Welcome to the weekly newsletter from Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley.

Message from Sandra Doorley

People vs. Keith Williams

On Wednesday, January 26, 2022, Keith Williams had one final opportunity to take responsibility for his actions against Officer Dennison Wright.

As most people in this community know, Officer Wright arrived at a domestic disturbance in October 2019. Upon arrival, Mr. Williams allegedly assaulted Officer Wright with a deadly weapon, blinding him. After two years of court appearances and competency hearings, it is time to find justice for Denny.

After months of back and forth with the defendant and his attorneys, Mr. Williams has decided not to plead guilty for his actions and we will take this case to trial on April 26, 2022.

I look forward to bringing this case to trial with Assistant District Attorney Bianca D'Angelo, of the Major Felony Bureau. Mr. Williams has been indicted on Attempted Aggravated Murder of a Police Officer, Attempted Murder in the 2nd Degree, Aggravated Assault upon a Police Officer and Assault in the 1st Degree.

While every case that comes through my office is important to me. People vs. Keith Williams is important to our entire community. After a year of unprecedented gun violence and homicides, we must support our police officers, as they risk their lives every day. NYPD lost two of its finest officers last weekend responding to a domestic incident. I pray that these assaults on law enforcement officers stop and that we, as community, will come together to support these brave heroes.

I am prepared to try this case in a court of law and I am prepared to find justice for Officer Dennison Wright.

Sandra



Homicide Update

So far in 2022:

City of Rochester Total: 4

Monroe County Total: 4

I Oppose James Moore's Release on Parole

There is one more week to sign the petition to demand that the New York State Parole Board does not grant release to James Moore. Moore admitted to the heinous murder and rape of 14-year-old Pamela Moss in 1962. Moore and his attorneys agreed that he would spend the rest of his life in prison to avoid the death penalty — an arrangement authorized by the victim's grieving family so they would be assured that Moore would never again live life outside the Department of Corrections. If you believe, as I do, that the original agreement made by Moore and his attorneys to spend the rest of his life in the New York State Department of Corrections, please sign the petition below:

<https://www.monroecounty.gov/da-moore-petition>

Highlights from the MCDA's Office

Anthony Love was convicted by a Monroe County Jury of Manslaughter in the 1st Degree for causing the death of 3-year-old Kei'mere Marshall. This case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Sara Vanstrydonck, Chief of the Special Victims Unit and Assistant District Attorney Amanda Balling, Deputy Chief of the Special Victims Unit. He faces up to 25 years in the New York State Department of Corrections. While no verdict will ease the pain of this young child's life, the Monroe County District Attorney's Office will seek the maximum sentence for Anthony Love. Kei'mere's mother, Andrea Lipton, will go to trial this Spring.

Luis Rios Morales was convicted by a Monroe County Jury of Murder in the 2nd Degree, six counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree, three counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree, three counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 4th Degree, two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 5th Degree, Conspiracy in the 4th Degree and two counts of Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree. This is related to the shooting death of Jose Ubiles Melendez and the results of a long-term investigation that resulted in the seizure of six handguns, six shotguns, and five rifles. In addition to the firearms, law enforcement seized over 200 grams of suspected cocaine, over 10 pounds of suspected fentanyl, 53 grams of suspected heroin and approximately \$10,000 in cash. The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Robin Catalano, Chief of the Special Investigations Bureau, and Special Assistant District Attorney Megan Hausner, of the Major Felony Bureau.

Rayshawn Brumfield was convicted by a Monroe County Jury of two counts of Criminal Possession of a Weapon in the 2nd Degree for a shooting incident on November 19, 2020, on Clairmount Street in the City of Rochester. Brumfield fired an illegal firearm 11 times at a vehicle. This case was investigated by the Rochester Police Department's Major Crimes Unit, Monroe County District Attorney Investigators and prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Kennedy, of the Special Investigations Bureau.

Shamere Thomas was convicted by a Monroe County Jury of two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance in the 3rd Degree and two counts of Criminally Using Drug Paraphernalia in the 2nd Degree after he was found with fentanyl and cocaine with intent to sell. On December 1, 2020, Shamere Thomas was approached by Rochester Police officers while being the sole occupant in the driver's seat of his car. He disobeyed commands and started the car while an Officer was partially in the vehicle. The car then crashed at Evergreen Street into a Stop Sign. Shamere Thomas took off running and was detained a short distance later. Fentanyl and cocaine were found inside and around the vehicle, packaged with intent to sell. This case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Kennedy of the Special Investigations Bureau.

MCDA in the Community

District Attorney Sandra Doorley and members of the Monroe County District Attorney's Office participated in the virtual District Attorneys Association of the State of New York Winter Conference. This conference offered training on best practices in general prosecution, Vehicular and Traffic law, Special Victims and Domestic Violence, and other specialized subcommittees.



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MCDA in the News

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/news/local-news/anthony-love-found-guilty-of-manslaughter-in-death-of-3-year-old-keimere-marshall/>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-found-not-guilty-in-death-of-rochester-child>

<https://www.whec.com/rochester-new-york-news/jury-finds-man-guilty-of-manslaughter-not-murder-anthony-love-andrea-lipton-kei-mere-marshall/6371676/>

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/rochester/news/2022/01/27/anthony-love-found-guilty-of-manslaughter-in-july-2020-death-of-3-year-old>

<https://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/2022/01/28/anthony-love-found-guilty-of-manslaughter-in-death-of-keimere-marshall-rochester-ny/9251721002/>

<https://www.rochesterfirst.com/crime/man-charged-with-stabbing-rpd-officer-denny-wright-rejects-plea-deal-will-face-trial/>

<https://www.whec.com/rochester-new-york-news/man-accused-of-stabbing-rpd-officer-wright-officer-given-2nd-opinion-on-plea-deal/6290056/>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/man-accused-of-stabbing-rochester-police-officer-to-stand-trial-in-april>

<https://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/2022/01/27/luis-rios-morales-convicted-death-jose-ubiles-rochester-ny/9231792002/>

<https://www.whec.com/rochester-new-york-news/man-convicted-2019-rochester-murder/6370432/>

<https://13wham.com/news/local/rochester-man-convicted-of-2019-murder>

<https://www.whec.com/rochester-new-york-news/young-man-who-allegedly-shot-at-police-formally-charged-pleads-not-guilty/6365915/>

<https://www.whec.com/news/assault-of-62-year-old-woman-at-greece-mall-prompts-employee-to-raise-concern/6366399/>



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